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We believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled METHOD FOR IMPROVING A LINK BETWEEN A CONTACT AND STRANDS OF A CABLE, the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following is checked:

☒ [ x ] The specification was filed on July 16, 2003, as United States Application Number 10/620,961.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Claimed

French Application No. FR 02 09089  
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Yes

(Yes/No)

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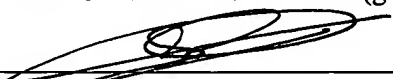
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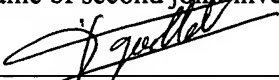
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